

An interview with ...

a storm chaser

In this week's 'Interview with a ...', Zen Magazine talked to Micky Nguyen, who has the fascinating-sounding job of storm chaser.

Zen Magazine (ZM): Being a storm chaser sounds like a pretty ¹harsh / **unique** job! I've never even heard of it.

Micky Nguyen (MN): You're right! The work is far from ²ordinary / **modest**, and I never expected to do this for a living. More and more people are starting to do it, though.

ZM: So, tell us what it involves. Following storms around ... ?

MN: Yeah, I have to get up close to storms so that I can place sensors to record weather data. The conditions can be ³rewarding / **harsh**, particularly in winter when most storms occur.

ZM: Why is there a need for what you do?

MN: It helps weather forecasters be able to give better storm warnings. It's ⁴tedious / **rewarding** in that way because I know I'm helping people.

ZM: You drive all over the country – isn't that ⁵unique / **exhausting**?

MN: I do get tired, yes. And there are risks. I could get struck by lightning! I never have, though. That sense of danger is exciting but I'm very careful.

ZM: Well, it certainly doesn't sound boring!

MN: Never! I used to work in an office and the work was pretty ⁶tedious / **rewarding**. The days would stretch on forever. The salary was better – I'm on quite ⁷unique / **modest** pay now in comparison, but I wouldn't change a thing!

